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My Favorite Gift and why it's so special

My favorite gift is a blanket that I got for Christmas. It's an American chopper blanket. The reason it's special to me is because my mom made it. It took her a while, but she finally got done with it. It has motorcycle's and the name of the motorcycle on it. It's real cool. But kinda small too. She spent a week or a few days or something on it. I love it though. I've been sleeping with it these last two or three nights. It's comfortable. It will keep me warm. But the best thing about it is that my mom made it. And she spent her time and her money on it. That's what makes it so special. She was working on a few days before Christmas, and I went into the living room one day and saw it. But I didn't know what it was. I didn't know it was for me anyway. It's black on the bottom and it's got a red outline with motorcycle's in the middle. And it's got American choppers on it, motorcycles, and it's kind of blue on the front. The letters on it are black. She worked on it for a day or two. Then she quit for a while. Then started working on it again and got it finished. She just got finished with a couple of days ago. She gave it to me either on Sunday or Monday. I'm not sure which one. I'm just glad I got it. She said that she didn't have a lot of money. So she said that she couldn't get me that much. But she made something for me that I love. I'm real glad that she would spend her time and money on it. It's short and kind of wide. But not that wide. I've got other special gifts but this one I like the best. I can use it to cover up with and stay warm. Or I can just lay on it or something. It's real comfortable. It's not very thick though. It's kind of thin. But most of the time it will keep me warm.

Score Point: 3

This response reflects a limited degree of proficiency in expository writing skills. The writer selects a favorite gift (an American chopper blanket) and provides numerous reasons to illustrate its importance (my mom made it, it's really cool, it's comfortable, and it will keep me warm). The response remains focused on the gift. The writer includes details to develop the response. However, the ideas are often repetitive, and the organizational structure is inadequate. There are few errors in mechanics, usage, and sentence formation. Stronger organization of the writer's key ideas is needed for a higher score.